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Tug and Barge Transit Plans During Ice Season

1. MSIB 03-2001, sent in December, served as advance notice of my policy intentions for operating tugs and barges during severe ice conditions within the Captain of the Port (COTP) Detroit zone, should the ice condition become severe enough. The Broadcast Notice to Mariners anticipated by MSIB 03-2001 was never issued by Coast Guard Group Detroit because it was not necessary to implement the procedures described in MSIB 03-2001. **I hereby cancel MSIB 03-2001.** An advance notice may be sent out before the 2002-2003 ice season.
2. I hope that MSIB 03-2001 achieved its purpose of allowing us both to prepare for possibility of a severe ice season.

Sincerely,

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